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| Response to Rule 312 Communication | Application No. | Applicant(s) | |
| | 10/004,771 | YOKOYAMA ET AL. | |
| | Examiner | Art Unit | |
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 15 December 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

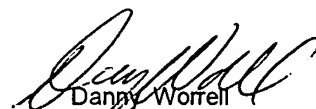
b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.


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